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TOPIC General Military Information

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REMARKS

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1. On 31 October 1952, Camp Werder at the Werder-Markendorf troop training grounds east of Jueterbog (N 52/E 69) was vacant except for a guard detail of about 80 soldiers.

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2. Beginning 21 October, the wood camp on the Schmorkau-Schwepnitz road on the eastern edge of the Koenigsbrueck (N 52/A 31) troop training grounds was vacated and Highway No 97 was open to public traffic.

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3. On 21 October, the Hindenburg Kaserne and the Koenig Georg Kaserne on Neuendorfer Strasse, Plauen (N 51/K 12), appeared to be vacant. Source saw no training activity and noticed only a very small number of soldiers wearing red-bordered black and black-bordered crimson epaulets and individual trucks.

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The Kobitzschwalde troop training grounds also was vacant.

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4. On 19 October, the Kirchbach Kaserne on Zadera Strasse, Plauen, was occupied by troops wearing black-bordered black epaulets. About 120 soldiers were engaged in drill in the barracks yard. The letters **Q B E** were painted at the gate of the installation. A radio truck which was in operation and another 8 trucks were parked in the barracks yard. Ninety soldiers were engaged in athletic activities on 21 October.

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1. Comment. A report by another source which was confirmed by records on transportation indicated that the 112th Gds Mtz Rifle Regt of the 39th Gds Mtz Rifle Div returned from the Dessau-Wiesenburg field exercise on 16 October. Four field guns, possibly of the 87th Gun Arty Regt, were seen at the Kirchbach Kaserne.

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. This installation also quarters a signal unit, probably of the COFG. the 39th Gds Mtz Rifle

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Div. an CB office on Rosa Luxemburg Platz (square).

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